



Fermanagh and Omagh District Council

PEACE IV – Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sports Programme

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

Please Note: This is a single stage selection process.

The information provided in this form should be of sufficient detail to enable the assessment panel to reach a decision on the quality of the proposed project.



Background

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council has secured £2.6m to deliver a PEACE IV Local Action Plan for the district to promote positive relations between people from different backgrounds and communities. The programme is supported by the European Union's PEACE IV Programme, managed by the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB).

The PEACE IV Local Action Plan will support 15 programmes or initiatives across three key themes – Children and Young People; Shared Spaces and Services; and Building Positive Relations.

The Local Action Plan was developed following extensive consultation in 2016 with local communities to ensure actions address their needs and issues identified.

A voluntary PEACE IV Partnership - made up of Councillors and representatives from statutory agencies and social partners – will support and monitor the effective delivery of the Local Action Plan.

The PEACE IV Programme is an EU Funded Programme designed to support Peace and Reconciliation in Northern Ireland and the Border Region. It is managed by the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB). Matching-funding for this element of the PEACE IV Programme has been provided by the Executive Office in Northern Ireland and the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government in Ireland.

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Conditions of Participation:

Successful groups and organisations will be required to:

- Enter into a development agreement to meet the conditions of the PEACE IV Programme as specified by SEUPB and the Council.
- Strive to achieve equal participation from the two main communities.

Expressions of Interest will be assessed and scored against an agreed 'Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sport Programme Framework'.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a competitive programme.

The submission of an Expression of Interest **does not** indicate that your submission will be selected for participation in the programme.



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Introduction

In its role as lead partner Fermanagh and Omagh District Council wishes to invite Expressions of Interest under the PEACE IV Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sports Programme - enhancing the capacity of children and young people to form positive and effective relationships with others of a different background and make a positive contribution to building a cohesive society through minority sports participation.

This element will invest in children and young people so that they can reach their potential and maximise their contribution to a more cohesive society. It will bring about change in the form of clear, meaningful and sustainable 'distance travelled' for individual young people in terms of good relations, personal development and citizenship.

This intervention will **result** in an increase in the percentage of 16 year olds who socialise or play sport with people from a different religious community; who think relations between Protestants and Catholics are better than they were five years ago; and who think relations between Protestants and Catholics will be better in five years' time.

Project Definition

It has been determined that at least 12 Youth Minority Sports Groups should be established or supported in the Fermanagh and Omagh District

The objectives of the Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sport Programme is to:

- Establish or support a minimum of 12 Youth Minority Sports Groups in sports which are not traditionally played in the Fermanagh and Omagh area and where a recognised club does not currently exist.
- Deliver an inclusive youth initiative, supported by Leisure, Recreation and Sports PEACE IV coaches, involving minority sports that engage young people in sporting activities which they enjoy while forming positive relationships with people that they would not normally socialise or play sport with.
- Provide training for members to attain coaching / leadership qualifications in order to sustain sport clubs post funding, build on their capacity and create networks for implementation and delivery of sporting leagues.
- Develop cross community and cross border links through partnership delivery, coaching, participation and competition.



The delivery team will endeavour to achieve as equitable spread across the District Council area as possible.

For the purposes of this programme please see the following definitions:

- **Youth / Young People:** 8 - 24 age range.
- **Minority Sports:** sports which are not traditionally played in the Fermanagh and Omagh area.

A minimum of 240 young people from both communities will be participating in a new sport in line with the requirements of the PEACE IV Programme. The level of engagement for each young person will equate to a minimum period of 6 months and/or 26 hours of participation in coach-led sessions.

To under-pin the delivery of the programme and support sustainability beyond the period of the programme, a minimum of 24 young people / members will be trained in specific minority sports coaching.



Cross Border and Cross Community Youth Sports Programme Expression of Interest Form

Contact Details	
Name	
Address	
Town	
Postcode	
Contact Person (<i>if different from above</i>)	
Group Name (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Position in Group (<i>if applicable</i>)	
Address for Correspondence (<i>if different from above</i>)	
Telephone Number:	
Mobile Number:	
Email Address:	





Can you demonstrate why there is a need to establish a Youth Minority Sports Group in your area? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)

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Please describe who benefits from the provision that the group currently provides? Who potentially will benefit from the new youth minority sports group? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)

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Please outline how the group will achieve cross - community engagement in the programme to enhance peace, reconciliation and participation in the area? Once engaged, how will the new youth minority sports group be sustained beyond the PEACE IV Programme? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)

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For the minority sport/s identified, can you advise if there are any suitable facilities in the area that could be utilised for the project? (Please refer to Guidance Notes)

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I/we can confirm that the details supplied are true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge.

Signed: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____

Name(s): Block Capitals _____

The Expression of Interest form can be downloaded from www.fermanaghomagh.com or a copy can be requested by emailing ryan.hanna@fermanaghomagh.com or by contacting Ryan Hanna on 0300 303 1777 ext. 21168.

Completed forms should be returned no later than **12 noon on Thursday 30 November 2017** in a sealed envelope clearly marked on the outside **'PEACE IV Youth Sports Programme'** to:
Fermanagh and Omagh District Council, Townhall, 2 Townhall Street, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh, BT74 7BA or The Sperrin Centre, 1 Market Street, Omagh, Co. Tyrone, BT78 1EE or alternatively, via email to ryan.hanna@fermanaghomagh.com.

Expression of Interest Forms received after this date and time will be deemed ineligible.

For further information on the Expression of Interest process please contact Ryan Hanna on 0300 303 1777 ext. 21168

